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THIS WEEK

CAMPUS

Tennis Rankings

Division II pre-season Tennis rankings were released Monday.

The Northwest women are ranked eighth in the region, while the men are ranked 24th nationally.

Senior Felipe Gennari is ranked 44th in Division II. Two doubles teams are ranked in the top 10 in the region.

Top Goalkeeper

Senior goalkeeper Kira Lazenby has been named the top goalkeeper in the MIAA as voted on by the league's head coaches. Lazenby is the first Bearcat to receive the award.

Three Northwest players earned all-conference honors. Lazenby was a first-team choice after earning second-team honors in 2008. Senior defender Jessica Braun and senior forward Andrea Tritz were second-team selections.

COMMUNITY

Garage Explosion

Firefighters responded to an explosion inside a garage at 27109 Glacier Rd.

The cause of the explosion is still under investigation. Maryville Public Safety received the call at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Fire crews were able to control the fire relatively quickly.

An ambulance was at the scene to respond to injuries, further information was not available by press

March of Dimes

The First Annual Alpha Gamma Rho Pancake Breakfast and March of Dimes Auction will be held Sunday, Nov. 22.

Breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Nodaway

County Senior Center. Silent auction items will be made available for bid throughout the morning.

All proceeds from the auction will be donated to the March of Dimes

H1N1 Clinic

The Nodaway County Health Department will conduct an H1N1 immunization clinic from 9 a.m. to noon Sat., Nov. 21. The clinic will be held at their office located at 515 N. Main

BEARCATS

Thursday

-Men's Basketball vs. Benedictine at Bearcat Arena, 7 p.m.

Friday

-Women's Basketball vs. Missouri Valley at Bearcat Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

-Football vs. Abilene Christian (Second Round) at Bearcat Stadium, Noon -Women's Basketball vs. William Jewell at Bearcat Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday

-Men's Basketball vs. Baker at Bearcat Arena, 7:30 p.m.

-Women's Basketball vs. Missouri-St. Louis at Bearcat Arena, 5:30 p.m.

SPOOFHOUNDS

Saturday

-Football at Lamar (Semifinals) 1:30 p.m. in Lamar,

STATE BUDGET

In-state tuition frozen again next year

By Greg Miller News Editor

Northwest, along with Missouri's other public fouryear higher education institutions, will not increase tuition for in-state undergraduate students next year.

If approved by the General Assembly, this would be the second consecutive year Northwest students have benefited from a tuition-freeze.

"To turn this economy around, Missourians must be trained, educated and ready to work, and that's why it was vital that we kept tuition flat for Missouri families," Gov. Jay Nixon said Tuesday.

Nationwide, tuition has risen by 6.5 percent, on average, and as much as 17 percent in some states.

Before this year's freeze,

tuition rates increased, on average, 7.5 percent each year.

Meanwhile, appropriations from the state have been cut by 5 percent. Dan Edmonds, interim vice president of finance and operations, said the cut in appropriations equals approximately \$1.6 million. It's a small number compared to the 14 percent revenue decline across the

Edmonds said the cut is close to what the University expected.

will help cushion the blow," Edmonds said. "It could be a The University is still tak-

ing steps to prepare for future

"The steps we've taken

"We're having departments look at their budget and see what they can do without and still be effective," he said.

Offices and classrooms across campus are searching for ways to trim spending any way possible, from deactivating voicemail boxes to eliminate fees, to cutting down on copy machine usage. Officials hope these small steps will

lead to big gains. "We appear to be in a more favorable position than a lot of other folks," he said.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING



Shopping floods relieve businesses

By Philip Gruenwald Missourian Reporter

Businesses nationwide are gearing up for Black Friday, the Superbowl of shopping days. Given the slacking economy, retailers need this flood of business now more than ever. However, this isn't the case for many Maryville business owners, who report that the recession's worst is over.

"It's been challenging for all businesses, but I think we've managed to stay above the industry average," Hy Vee Store Director Ben Conway said. "I do expect this season's sales to be better than last year's."

Conway and other's optimism doesn't reflect the measured decrease in sales so far this year. According to the Missouri Department of Revenue, first and second quarter sales in Nodaway County are down 6.3 and 10.1 percent, respectively. Yet you wouldn't guess that by walking into Jock's Nitch.

"Black Friday is going to be huge. We're opening up early,

giving away new discounts every hour," owner Bryce Buholt said. Buholt expects this year's sales to surpass those of last year.

'Our sales have been up all

year," Buholt adds. There's no single secret to success here, although basic business strategies are an underlying theme for most business owners. Advertising, sales and new products are tried-and-true methods for financial stability, but each business tightens their belt in a different way.

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BSU

Student group raises money for holiday dinners

By Matthew Leimkuehler Missourian Reporter

This Thanksgiving, 114 hungry families will be fed this Thanksgiving, thanks to the successes of the Baptist Student Union Aladine Food Drive that took place last week on campus.

Every year since 1997, the Baptist Student Union has asked for Aladine donations from students who would have left over money at the end of the year. This year, 272 students donated a total of \$9,113. The lowest donation consisted of \$4, while the largest student donation was \$500. This divides to an average of about \$33.50 per stu-

Raising money had become a more difficult task for the group the last few years, due to the fact that Aladine now rolls over to second semester at the end of the school year. The group went from raising over \$15,000 to just barely scrapping up \$6,000 between the 2007 and 2008 fall

"I really didn't know what to expect this year," said event coordinator Jason Yarnell. "The fact that we were 50% higher this year is phenomenal," said event coordinator Jason Yarnell.

The food will be distributed Saturday by the students involved in

"We buy the Thanksgiving dinners from Aramark. We go through community services and we work with community churches as well to see if they know of anybody who could use the meal," Yarnell said.

There was a booth set up in the bottom floor of the union last weel, where students of the BSU collected money from participating donors.

"I worked at the table to promote the fundraiser and will do the same next year," said BSU member and

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DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Philanthropist takes big give, gives back across the world

By Kylie Guier Asst. News Editor

Stephen Paletta began his journey on the road to significance years before winning the

reality show "Oprah's Big Give." Paletta was named "the biggest giver" in 2008 and has used his experience to not only help those in need, but get others involved as well.

In his lecture "The Road to Significance, Turning from Me to We," Paletta discussed how his life had changed from being strictly about success to working

for the welfare of others. "My life had been all about success and it wasn't filling me up," Paletta said. "There was something dramatically missing in my life and I didn't know what

that was."

Paletta was a successful businessman and entrepreneur, and his goals were based around money and social importance.

"I wanted to make Steve Paletta as rich and as big and successful as he could be," Paletta He said it was his first trip to

Rwanda with seven of his friends in 2004 that ultimately changed his life and put him on the right

"I got on the airplane sort of by accident," Paletta said. "As soon as I stepped off I knew my life was changed."

He has returned to Rwanda 11 times throughout the years, and said it was the connections to the people that keep bringing him back.

According to Paletta, there is a vast difference between success and significance. Success is centered on 'me' while significance is about 'we.'

"Significance isn't about money, it is about connecting to other people," Paletta said.

After winning the show, he was given \$1 million dollars. Half of the money went to charity donations and he used the other half to start up his nonprofit organization "Stephen's Journey." The foundation gives attention to grassroots nonprofit organizations.

It was the second Encore and Distinguished Lecture of the year. The Student Activities Council cosponsored the event.

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PHILANTHROPIST STEPHEN PALETTA gave a lecture to Northwest about his charity trips. Paletta was the winner of "Oprah's Big Give."

ART EXHIBIT

Artist finds inspiration in ordinary things

By Cassie Thomas Missourian Reporter

Sometimes an artist's inspiration is very complex, but not always. Some artists find inspiration in every-day domestic items. This is part of where artist Erin Furimsky draws her creative stimulation.

Furimsky's small scale sculptures will be exhibited in the first floor gallery space of the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building through Dec. 11. Furimsky, who builds her clay pieces by hand, likes to keep her artwork on a small scale in order to make it more intimate.

"If it's big it can overpower you, but if it's small you want to reach down and pick it up," Furimsky said. "Smaller pieces tend to draw you in to get a closer look."

Furimsky draws much of her inspiration from historical, floral and over the top patterns. She looks for inspiration in everyday objects that most people walk by without a passing glance.

Freshman art education major Kelsi Douglass found the style of the prints on the sculptures interesting.

"I really liked the prints and how she combined common patterns with her own designs," Douglass said. "I thought that they really demonstrated a unique style."

In her earlier work Furimsky's sculptures had specific uses, yet elaborate designs, but her style has evolved to reference function, rather than be functional.

"I did find it very interesting how drastically her works changed from her earlier pieces to her more recent works," Douglass said.

Furimsky became interested in art when she was very young.

"It's just what I always said I wanted to be," Furimsky said.

Most of her work is done in her in-home studio while her two children are asleep. Furimsky also teaches ceramics classes at Heartland Community College and Illinois State University.

This exhibit is a continuation of the art department's Visiting Artist Series. The gallery features a different artist or artists that are selected by each of the professors in the art department.

Furimsky was selected by Laura Kukkee, an assistant professor of art who works mainly with ceramics. Kukkee selected Furimsky because she won the "Jurors Choice Award" in a show at Northwest two years ago.

"I had seen her work around in photos, in magazines and at a conference," Kukkee said. "I want to bring in artists whose work will benefit my students and show them a variety of ways to work."

Admission to the DeLuce Gallery is free. The gallery is open from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

AMAZING RACE

Students compete to be culturally aware

By Trey Williams
Missourian Reporter

The living room of the Union was filled with excited chatter Saturday as students waited for the start of the Amazing Race.

The Northwest BRIDGEs hosted their version of the Amazing Race last Saturday. 91 teams showed up to participate in the race to promote diversity. The BRIDGE's job is to promote diversity while also educating the campus about diversity.

"Our job as BRIDGEs is to be diversity educators." BRIDGE Swanee Griffin said.

As the words everyone had been waiting for echoed in the open room, so did the simultaneous sound of rapid footsteps. Teams burst through both the front and back doors of the second floor of the Union.

The Amazing Race was under way. Teams ran across campus to their first challenge. Some participated in a Bollywood dance routine, while teams took the U.S. citizens test.

The challenges in the

Amazing Race were picked by the BRIDGEs in order to raise diversity awareness on campus.

"We wanted to use fun activities to make the campus culturally aware," Griffin said.

While participating in the Amazing Race was a good opportunity to see what it is like to walk in someone else's shoes, it was also a good opportunity to run in your own.

The race took place in buildings all over campus and in a race against time the teams ran from one challenge to another solving riddles, shooting basketballs from a wheel chair and putting on make-up.

The challenges tested teams to think about what other people, unlike themselves, might have to go through on a daily basis. At one challenge girls had to tie a tie while the guys had to put on make-up and paint their finger nails.

"It was fun," freshman Kris Thomas said. "We were pretty confident at first, until we had to wait in line. It just went downhill from there."

Lines were long at some

challenges, and while those at the front had no issues, people in the back became frustrated quickly.

"That's why it's a race," Griffin said. "You gotta get there first, it's not always going to be fair."

As exhausted teams staggered back into the Union Living Room, it was apparent the race was coming to an end. Stories of accomplishments and setbacks were shared as the BRIDGESs tallied up the times.

Anthony Mittan and Brandon Clark were the first place winners and were each awarded an iPod Touch; second place, digital cameras and third place received external hard drives. The top 40 finishers were able to choose from prizes ranging from fish to Christmas trees

"I'll most likely come back next year," freshman Sam Jung said. "It was fun overall and pretty cool."

The Northwest Amazing Race was an overall success

photo by lori frankenfield | chief photographer ZANE ROBINSON FROM team Ron Burgundy did the "In Their Shoes challenge" for The Amazing Race on Saturday that was held by the Northwest Bridges. The challenge required the guys to put on eye makeup and paint there nails and girls to tie a tie.

getting people to think about what other people go through in a day while also having

"I think it was very successful," Griffin said. "People liked that it was more culturally based this year."

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Devo's Express Pizza to open next month

By Matthew Leimkuehler Missourian Reporter

Maryville is going to add to its arsenal of locally ran businesses next month when Devo's Pizza Express officially opens its doors. The new restaurant is located on South Main, just past Sonic and Classic Cuts.

The restaurant is called Devo's Express Pizza because in between the hours of 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Devo's will have pepperoni, hamburger and cheese pizzas ready to pick up by either carry out or drive-thru, daily.

Owner/operator Kevin Adams shows excitement at the idea of the lunch and dinner drive-thru special his business is doing.

"We're making everything as simple as possible to try to make the drive-thru service real quick and efficient," Adams said.

Devo's menu is going to include single topping and specialty pizzas, along with a variety of sticks, wings and desserts. All pizzas will come as a medium 12" size, single toppings for \$7.49 and signature pizzas for \$10.49. Some of the specialty pizzas include The Devo, a combination of meat and vegetables; BBQ Butcher, a BBQ sauce based meat pizza; and Nacho Taco, a nacho cheese sauced based pizza with taco ingredients to top.

Devo's has the options of drive-thru or carry out during all hours of operation, with the ability to make any pizza the customer desires.

"If you have a special pizza that you want and you call in advance, you can drive through in 10 to 15 minutes and it will be ready for you," Adams said. "The drive-thru should be real

With 11 years experience as a Domino's franchisee and being in the pizza industry since 1987, Adams shows that he is ready to take a shot at running a pizza place of his own.



photo by lori frankenfield | chief photographer

DEVO'S EXPRESS PIZZA is a new drive-thru pizza place opening on S. Main St. Devo's will have pizzas ready to be picked up by either carry out or drive-thru.

"There's really no surprise," Adams said. "There really haven't been any problems, I've always just wanted to own my own pizza place."

Students are enthusiastic at the idea of having another

eating option in town.

"It's awesome, it's great, you've got to love the variety," junior Ryan Gobet

Other students find ease in the speedy service Devo's is expected to deliver.

"Convenience is key when some people don't have time for a 'sit down' meal," said sophomore Ahna Lake. "High five on the drive-thru, I'm there."

Devo's wants to deliver a simple, yet powerful message to the community.

"I'd like people to think that we're good pizza, efficient and convenient," Adams said. "I'd like it to be a name in this part of the state that people recognize and know its good pizza."

FUNDRAISER

MHS' show choir to hold soup and chili supper Friday; funds benefit play that follows meal

By Mark Kauffman Missourian Reporter

People shuffle about the high school lunchroom with bowls of soup and chili on their trays. A constant buzz of voices mixes in the air with the clanking of spoons and forks. But it's not the students eating. They're the ones serving the food. The parents are enjoying the meal.

Spectrum, Maryville high school's show choir, is holding a soup and chili supper Friday, Nov. 20.

The supper's profits will cover expenses of the play "The Ballad of Gopher Gap", that follows the supper.

The Spectrum gets its name from the fact that they perform a wide spectrum of

"We sing jazz, show choir, all kinds of things," Nicolas Vasquez said. Vasquez directs the Spectrum and is a vocal music instructor at Maryville high school.

Students audition for Spectrum late in the spring. Only 25 students are selected to be part of the show choir. Once accepted, student practice weekly.

The Spectrum participates in several activities every year. They perform in show choir competitions such as the Northwest Jazz and Show Choir Festival, at holiday events and with community service organi-

They also put on both winter and spring concerts.

At these concerts the Spectrum's performance focuses on complex choreography in addition to vocal abilities.

"It's a big undertaking," Vasquez said. "It's time consuming, but it's worth it. On Monday we got out of school early due to weather, but the Spectrum still had practice that night."

The soup and chili supper is a fund raiser for the show choir. The Spectrum members buy their own costumes. The men wear tuxedos while women wear dresses of their

According to Vasquez, students spend a couple hundred dollars on their outfits. The students pay for their own costumes because the school's budget doesn't

cover them. Some of the profits will also help reimburse the students' outfits.

Tickets for the supper cost \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 2 to 12 and free for those under 2 and are available at the door or from a Spectrum member.

The supper begins Friday at 5 p.m. and goes until 6:45

Maryville's high school play, "The Ballad of Gopher Gap", will begin at 7 p.m. following the supper.



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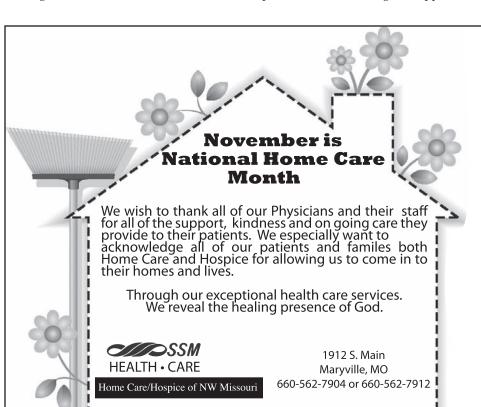
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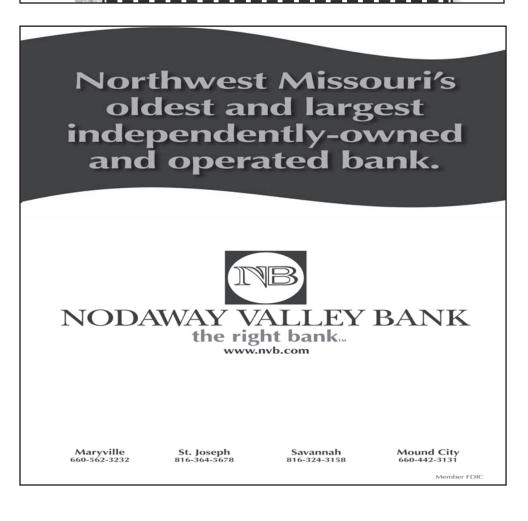
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OUR VIEW

Video games not as detrimental as perceived

After scanning through the marker board of what to write the Our View about for this issue, a minor debate was sparked over Call of Duty, a game that simulates modern warfare for the player, and the purpose of video games, rather the lack thereof.

There are many people who argue that video games offer nothing but the downfall of society through a slippery slope of sex, drugs and violence. Take, for example, the Columbine High School shooting that occurred in 1999. Several people had blamed this act of violence not on an underlying issue caused by cruel peers, but evil music and violent video games. But is this really the case? As an interactive form of entertainment, are they really as bad as many people think?

Those who oppose video games cite several negative effects to an excessive amount of playing time achieved, which includes addiction, permissive behavior, an increase in social isolation, aggression, gender bias and wasted time that could have been spent learning.

However, not all games foster these attitudes, just like not all movies allow an outlet or a sense of rightness in aggression, promiscuity and gender bias.

Not only this, but video games are just one of many outlets that often portray underlying issues society is faced with- murder, war, ineffective governments, inequality, poverty and crime.

There are various modes of education. While we should not promote video games, television and other technological ways over others, we still should not completely be opposed to these as well. Education can be found in anything, whether through social interaction, books, board games, music, video games and so forth.

What you want to learn and how you want to learn, that is up to you. It is the individual's responsibility, and his or her responsibility

only, to take whatever it is that one wants to take from anything

While it is true that children are easier to influence, it is up to the parents to determine what content they want their children to be exposed to.

Just because a person reads a counter view to an issue, this does not mean that person will be persuaded to believe in that viewpoint. Just because a person reads a book in which a character imbibes in alcohol and illegal

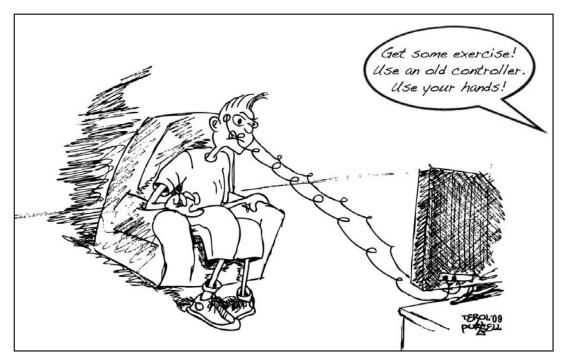
drugs does not mean the individual will then fall into that pattern. Just because a person watches a violent crime take place on a television screen does not necessarily mean that person will in turn commit a violent crime. Nor would any of these outlets justify a person's turn from the ethical rules that bind a society, or the laws themselves.

At the end of the day, video games are not to blame for any action that occurs; it is the individual.

WHAT THE

According to the New York Times. Khalid Sheikh Mohammed. a leading man for the September 11 attacks, will finally be brought to trial in New York City. However, several New Yorkers are not rallying around the idea. Many fear another attack, opening the eight-year wound and the possibility of sensitive information to be leaked during the criminal proceedings. Whether or not you believe that bringing the accused contributors of the 9/11 attacks to ustice should occur through federal proceedings or a military commission, this is a sign that Americans are ready to move forward, close the muchdebated Guantanamo facility and bring those responsible to some sort of justice, while releasing those that are innocent of any wrongdo-

CARTOON



MY VIEW

Health care hype fades amidst controversy

For the first time in American history, the House of Representatives passed a health care reform bill which included health care for every man, woman and child. Democrats fought hard in the House, but this triumph is quickly fading as liberals realize the bill might not go far

The government health insurance plan included in the bill was popular with House Democrats. However, that provision is not as popular with the Republicans or moderate Democrats who hold the majority of power in the Senate.

President Obama has urged Senators to bring the health care reform effort to the finish line for the American people, but it is very unlikely the Senate will support

Many Senators have been caught claiming the bill was dead the second it arrived in the Senate, and much of the opposition will not allow the final vote to take place. The Senate Majority Leader, Harry Reid, is yet to change the outlook of the health care bill, which leads to the idea that health care reform is out of the question for this session of Congress.



Amanda Petelin

Even though many Americans believed health care reform would take place in the United States, it is likely the issue will continue to be put off like so many others in the American political

Although the health care finish line is nowhere in sight, the success of the bill in the House shows us politicians can overcome divisions and step across faction lines to create successful legislation they feel passionate about turning into law. A common theme in government today is far from perfect party unity, yet the House Democrats provide a perfect example for generations to come that success can be had even when unanimity is unreachable.

Regardless if you support the current pending legislation to reform our health care system, the Senate has the opportunity to learn from House Democrats when it comes to creating successful legislation.

Consider that many provisions supported by less than a majority of liberals were removed from the bill to please the Democratic Party in the House. There are things both parties in the Senate disagree with, such as the government competing with private insurers.

The important things to consider are compromise and cooperation. Sometimes you have to play the game of give and take. If liberals want a reformed health care system, they might have to remove the public plan to keep the bill alive. There have been many proposals to edit the portion of the bill dealing with the public option, which include grandfathering in public plans or setting sunset provisions to end non-public plans over time. But, as House Democrats found cooperation and compromise, both parties in Senate are failing to see the bigger

Our legislators need to see that in order to be successful as America moves farther into the 21st century, they need to cross party lines and formulate legislation via compromise; every provision of every single bill is not important, whereas big picture things are the ideas worth fighting over.

Harry Reid and President Obama have promised the bill will be finalized by the end of the year, extending coverage to all Americans. But in order to nail down a final copy of the legislation, we need to learn to compromise.

MY VIEW

News outlets offer little for responsible journalism

By Greg Miller News Editor

Turn on cable news after 5 p.m., and you're likely to find Keith Olbermann foaming at the mouth over a Republican who didn't fasten his seat belt or Sean Hannity putting words in the mouths of Democrats. News networks have diminished to entertainment networks full of screaming matches and pompous, intellectually deficient gloating. These hosts aren't held responsible for the words they say, the facts they give or the accusations they make.

It is becoming increasingly hard to find a good, reliable source for news on a national scale. Opinion journalism in itself can be done extremely well. It's an opportunity for a solid, educated discussion that the consumer can learn from at the end of the day. That's not happening on the most popular news programs in America, though.

Instead, news commentators are organizing protests, starting E-mail campaigns and calling heads of state war mongerers and racists, then defending their rhetoric because they are simply "rodeo clowns." Partisan pontification is taking the place of what journalism is meant to be: a service.

The reverse side of this is organizations that now present both sides of an issue to be considered fair and balanced, but then never report on what is actually happening. Health care coverage has been full of politicians and commentators howling about the end of the world or the great new chapter for the country. But what news reports, in comparison, have actually reported what is in the legislation?

Instead of covering an issue and determining who's right, news outlets are often regurgitating each side of the political spectrum and uttering the famous tag, "back to you."

I'm entering into this profession trying to find reporters to look up to, trying to find journalists who stand out and report the truth, but it's becoming increasingly

Am I a perfect reporter? Of course not. I'm growing and developing in every story I cover. That holds true in every profession, no matter the line of work. In the end my goal is clear: to report the truth, and I am held responsible for the words I print.

That's not the case for some of the "opinion journalists" we see each night on cable news. They draw on chalkboards, issue special comments not based in fact and only interview people they agree with, or they yell and scream at the people whom they disagree with. This does not look good.

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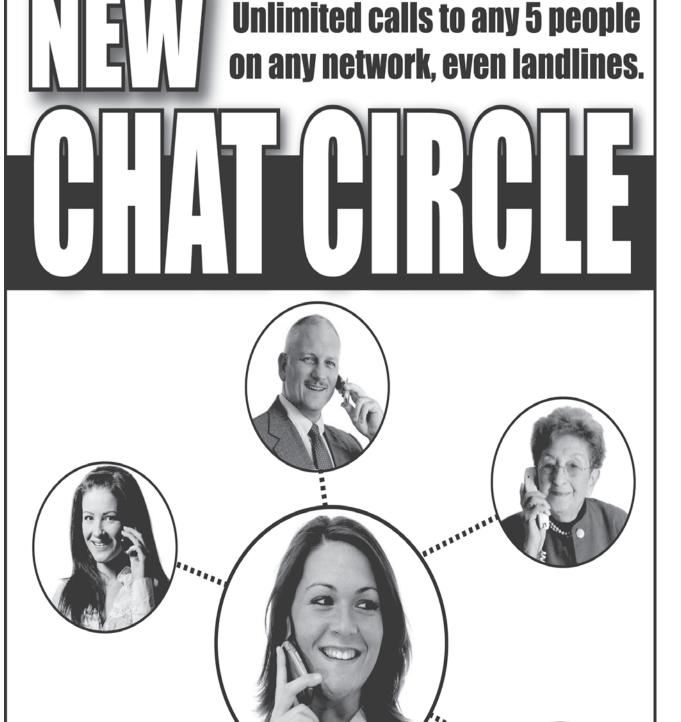
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COLUMN | PRESIDENT JASINSKI AND THE NYC MARATHON

TRIP TO THE BIG APPLE

By John Jasinski **University President**

The 40th Annual ING New York City Marathon was held on arguably the most eventful weekend the city would see all year. Halloween festivities, the Yankees battling the Phillies in their 44th World Series appearance, a 26-mile long block party and the race itself, of course, all took place during the last weekend of October.

Why run marathons? I have started and competed 10 marathons. Marathons require preplanning and training - a balance of sorts across running, lifting, stretching, eating, fluid intake, resting, spiritual connecting, etc. Why New York and why now? Having completed 10 marathons, I suppose you could say I'm a seasoned marathoner. I've run Boston twice and covered Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota and Michigan. I've completed half-marathons, including Maryville.

Yet, New York is no ordinary race. It's the largest of its kind and along with Boston, is considered one of the "Big Five" in the world. You get in to New York by winning a marathon or through lottery. You know how I was admitted; yet I was forced to cancel in the previous two years due to scheduling conflicts. You lege friends cancel the third year and you are done for New York. Thus, this was the year.

I had a relative short time period of training and was diligent on Sunday long runs - steady, yet slower than in the past. I put in 13 minimum on Sundays, ramped in a 17, 18 and even a pretty solid 20 three weeks before the NYC Marathon. The runs were consistent, but not varied and the weekday jaunts were up and down - some shortened, some skipped, some normal and some pretty strong. However, total mileage was paltry even by my standards with most weeks during training averaging in the mid to high 20s. My oldest son, Matt, called it the Brett Favre approach to marathon training. I chuckled and knew he was right, but also accepted given life's conditions, my training "is what it is" leading up to race day.

The number of congratulatory notes following the Inauguration and the flooding of good wishes for a successful marathon were overwhelming. Family, friends, faculty and staff, colleagues, CIE tenants and business owners, Bearcat athletes and other students, etc. all checked in. That's a pretty good feeling - and a bit of pressure that people were watching.

An old ankle injury resurfaced the Wednesday before the race. I had run 12.5 on Sunday and another 4.5 Tuesday in the obligatory last week final "taper" period - and felt good Tuesday when I finished. I woke up swollen Wednesday morning and by Wednesday could not plant on my right foot. No running that evening and the race was quite questionable. I was committed, to traveling with Matt, though, "just in case." Bearcats' head athletic trainer Kelly Quinlan came to the rescue with her thorough medical expertise. Dr. Pat Harr provided important assistance and Maryville Mayor Chad Jackson - a physical therapist extraordinaire - provided Thursday evening therapy that gave me quiet confidence my ankle could hold up.

The Friday before the race, Matt and I flew into Newark. An old college friend, Rick, picked us up - he and his wife took us out for a fabulous steak/ seafood dinner and thus another lesson to know- colare there for life. Rick moved to New York from college and says, "Marathon Day is my

favorite day as a New Yorker. New Yorkers are at their absolute best." Time to get fired up!

I hit breakfast Saturday morning and picked up extra fruit and drink for my "goody bag" on race day, Sunday. You begin thinking a bit more seriously about race day at this point. I ran a few sprints just to see if my ankle will hold - it

Matt and I went to the Marathon Expo to pick up my running packet Saturday early afternoon. Unbelievable - the most smooth check-in process I have seen for any purpose and another lesson for Bearcats - we can learn about our own work from a myriad of seemingly "unlike" activities. We talked to a 2009 Boston Marathoner and threetime finisher of New York - he casually mentions the course being tougher than Boston, to "watch out for miles 1-3 and the bridges" and prepare for the crowds - both fans and runners.'

We took in some raucous Yankee fans during dinner as they cheered on the Bronx Bombers against the Phillies in Game 3 of the World Series. We walked through Times Square a little more than we should have, but wanted to take in sights, sounds and smells.

As I settled in for a bit of a nap (aided by daylight savings time) around 10:30 p.m., Matt explored the city. I saw the weather forecast before retiring - 80% chance of rain

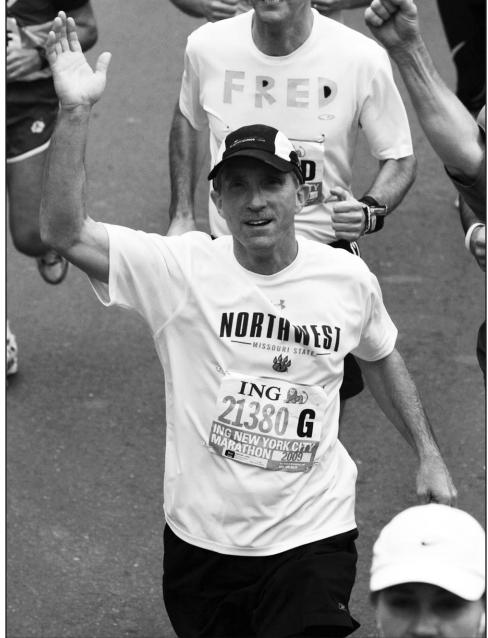


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PRESIDENT JOHN JASINSKI waves as he runs during the 40th annual ING New York City Marathon last month. He placed 15,091 overall out of 43,475 runners; 1,830 in his age group; and 12,055 in the men's group overall. His total time was 3:59:39, which is a pace of 9:09/mile.

throughout the night and early morning yet subsiding by 5 a.m., winds diminishing from 9 to 5 mph throughout the race and warming to perhaps 53 degrees and maybe even sun by race's end.

I awoke to what I expected. Rains were subsiding. It was 3:45 a.m. and I prepared to leave by 4:15 a.m. to get to the New York Public Library for bus transportation to Staten Island - the beginning point of a 26.2 mile NYC journey.

The walk to Midtown Manhattan at 4:15 a.m. on Halloween was quite interesting. I'll leave it at that. Like prerace preparations, the police, volunteers, staff and busses were fully prepared.

After the race, I told my wife Denise that this was "my best overall pre-race routine." I was calm, I coached myself to stay dry and somewhat warm in one of the tents used for runners - and do so until at least 7:40 a.m. I departed the tent at 7:40 a.m., much to my satisfaction, having rested, ate, drank and crowded out of my tent surroundings. Alas, much to do throughout the area - donuts and power bars; fruit and bagels; coffee, tea and water; live music, ecumenical services; people watching;

My start time was 9:40 a.m., as there were three starting waves, each with numbered and lettered corrals to help facilitate flow. I, of course, was in the Green Wave - fitting, right? I have quoted Roberto Clemente in a few different speeches - the late superstar from the Pittsburgh Pirates who was focused on helping others. I, of course, was in Corral 21. And my bib number was 21,380 (nearly 44,000 runners participated) - 21 for Clemente again, 3+8+0 for this being my 11th marathon. Was that a stretch? Perhaps not.

The call comes at 8:30 or so. Green Wave runners, proceed to line up. Interestingly, my group, ending at 22,000, included sub-elites, professionals and the rest of us.

Just before 9:40 a.m., there was much air traffic, lots of folks shedding clothes (for charity), lots of nervous energy, and lots of chatter. I remained calm, reflected and gave thanks and turned to the National Anthem. We started the 40th New York City Marathon under cloudy and threatening skies and cool temperatures

Next thing I know, Sinatra's "New York, New York" is absolutely blaring as we quickly approach the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, linking Staten Island eventually into Brooklyn. I also looked to my left and saw the breathtaking beauty of Manhattan out in the distance. So clear, yet seeming tauntingly far. My ankle situation seemed somewhat gray to me at that time as well, as I simply was unsure what might transpire. Yet I harkened back to my goals to get me centered. For marathons, I have gone away from time goals

ter. Because of the ankle, I also note that I'd be happy for each mile I finished. So with a bum ankle, a couple pieces of tape, an Advil, and some oldschool Flint, Michigan grit, I was off. I was solitary, yet

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down on us were heating up. Mile markers passed by me seemingly so quickly, yet my race was steady and exactly how I wished for 2, 4, 8 and into the 13.1-mile marks. Brooklyn was a special delight and the crowds were spectacular, as was the music and the art, and the smells, and the school children, and the commerce, and the churchgoers, and New York's finest - police, firefighters and other emergency personnel, and the cheers for runners from France, Chile, Poland, Germany and so many other countries. What a melting pot and celebration of cultures and

Pulaski Bridge was 13.1 and I was running the race exactly as I had trained slower than in the past, yet steady. Live bands lined the entire route; much of the race saw cheering fans lined up 10 to 15 people deep. The exhilarating vibe made me forget any injury and lack of overall training I missed.

I hit mile markers 14, 15 and 16. I was feeling good. The Queensboro Bridge, connecting Queens to Manhattan, was a laborious challenge though. I took it easy both up and down. My ankle flared up and I tightened by mile 18. I decided to walk a few miles to ensure I did not do any damage to the ankle or experience spasm in my calves or thighs. It worked, as I gimped through the Bronx slowly (did I mention the runner with a Phillies cap on taking a lashing from Yankee fans throughout the race?) and then hit Harlem and began to jog again. And jog I did. I knew I had 5.2 miles left and I had to make the Bearcat green and white proud by finishing

what I started. Matt and I missed each other at mile 18. Thus he and I met up at 25.2 when I heard, amid bedlam, a huge and loud "finish strong, John." It is what I needed as there was scarcely little energy left in my tank. I knew I was there and having my son there to support and give that last nudge is something that will stick with as I think about the last mile in the NYC Marathon. I heard plenty of "go Northwest, go Bearcats" cheers and I worked my way through a tough Central park and finished in just under 4:00.

On a day many natives of New York characterize as their favorite day to be a New Yorker, I completed my 11th marathon. As Matt suggested, "the race of a lifetime." Based on performance? Maybe not so much (I would have needed to shave 1:48:10 off my time to catch the men's champion!). Based on experience, adventure, and accomplishment? Most definitely. Matt may have a slightly different description of the adventure that Halloween weekend offers in NYC, but agrees that the marathon is a one-of-a-kind event that only the greatest city in the world

can produce. According to the official program, 2 million spectators line the course. 1,500 media credentials are issued. 100 staffers work year-round on the marathon, the best organized event in which I have ever been exposed. They have 1,658 portable toilets at the start, 42,000 Power Bars, 90,000 8-ounce bottles of Poland Spring water, 1,800 gallons of lemon-lime Gatorade. Over 125 bands are on the course, 500,000 participant photos are captured. Another 32,040 gallons of Gatorade are on the course. 41 medical stations and 57,059 salt packets are available. The total economic impact to the city is \$250 million.

Yet, it takes one step at a time to complete the mara-

As we wrapped up our trip, waiting on a delayed flight back to KC, I lay asleep on the Newark Airport floor. Exhausted, but thrilled to have crossed another marathon off my list of goals, I began to hibernate. Well, albeit briefly, because Bearcat Nation doesn't rest, and it was back to

work on Monday morning. When I was back to work, I received an unbelievable book from the Horace Mann school children regarding the presidency (good wishes, what a president does and suggestions for the president). The 5th and 6th graders wrote about how a marathon is like a presidency and they provided wonderful insight.

As always, thanks for the support and see you on Highway 71 sometime!

SPORTS STAFF GAME PICKS

Brian "The Bulldog's" Picks Prediction record (15-20) **NCAA Lock**

Oregon at Arizona — Oregon I know they dropped the game to Stanford, but honestly who hasn't Stanford shocked this year? I still think the Ducks are one of the best teams in college football and you can count on them not getting upset on the road this week.

NCAA Upset

UConn at Notre Dame — Husky I gave the Irish a chance last week and they screwed me. UConn has looked great this season, even in their losses. The Huskies have played three ranked teams this season and lost by a total of eight points in those three games combined, including a two point loss to unbeaten No. 5 Cincinnati. Go ahead and announce the firing of Charlie because the Irish have definitley not lived up to the hype.

NFL Lock

Philadelphia at Chicago — Phil I'm sticking with the Eagles again this week. I know they haven't played well lately, but they are too good of a team to keep losing.

Jason's Picks Prediction record (16-19) **NCAA Lock**

Penn St. at Michigan St. — Penn Penn St. has looked like a force recently in the Big 10 and Michigan St. has become much more of a basketball school after escaping with a three-point win against Purdue last week. Penn St. should run away with this game since they're probably still mad about the loss to Ohio St. two weeks ago.

NCAA Upset

Arizona St. at UCLA - 'Zona St. The Sun Devils have lost four straight games and UCLA is coming off back-to-back wins and a 43-7 drubbing of Washington St., so I have no good reason for choosing this, but it fits the point spread so whatever.

NFL Lock

Green Bay at San Fran — GB I learned my lesson by going against the Packers last week, so I'm trying to redeem myself. The 49ers haven't been the same team since Michael Crabtree got in the mix. Aaron Rodgers and the Packers will keep San Francisco

Tony's Picks Prediction record (3-6) **NCAA Lock**

Minnesota at Iowa — Hawkeyes Kirk Ferentz and his Hawkeyes have dropped back to back wins, including a plesantly surprising showing at 'The Shoe'. This is the week redshirt freshman James Vandenberg grabs his first Big Ten victory. Hawks roll at Kinnick.

NCAA Upset

Mississippi St at Arkansas — MSU The Bulldogs have proven to be a tough opponent to numerous SEC powerhouses. The Razorbacks lack the explosiveness they have in the past, but benefit from the strongarmed Ryan Mallet. Bulldogs win a traditional SEC defensive battle.

Indianapolis at Baltimore — Peyton Peyton Manning and Reggie Wayne orchestrated the two minute offense to perfection against a deflated New England D. The Colts O-line will be under fire this week, facing defensive freaks Terrell Suggs, Ed Reed and the scariest man in the NFL himself, Ray Lewis. However, Peyton is no stranger to pressure. He and the Colts shine in this jugger-

Seth's Picks Prediction record (13-16) **NCAA Lock**

California at Stanford — Stan Stanford destroyed USC last week, and although the Trojans are not as good as they have been in recent years, they still have a lot of playmakers on their team. Stanford will crush a Cal team without their best player.

NCAA Upset

LSU at Mississippi —LSU Alright, so Ole Miss pulled a fast one on me last week. Well, LSU will have no problem taking care of the Rebels. Both being underachieving teams, I still see LSU as more of a power house than Ole Miss. Look for the Tigers to maul QB Jevon Snead.

NFL Lock

Miami at Carolina — Carolina Carolina has gotten back on track lately by leaning on their strong running game. The one-two punch of DeAngelo Williams and Jonathan Stewart is the Panthers heart and soul of the team. The resurging Dolphins took a big hit last week by losing Ronnie Brown. Look for the Panthers to dismantle the Wildcat this week.

AROUND THE CAMPUS

Do you think the Bearcats will avenge their loss to Abilene Christian this weekend?



"Yes, I do. I have been to every home game and I feel like we've gotten better and better. Everyone I talk to says that we always beat the team that we lost to the second time we play them."

Alex Goergen Social Science Education



"I think they will because we have already played them this year. We can learn from the previous game and beat them and move on in the playoffs."

Anna Heitz Zoology

Top 2 picks

By Philip Gruenwald Missourian Reporter

FIX Releases Friday

Milo and his girlfriend Bella are filming a documentary while racing through Los Angeles in a desperate crime spree, but it's all for a good cause. You see, Milo's Brother, Leo, is a convicted felon facing jail time unless he checks into rehab and comes up with \$5,000 in 15 hours. Leo's quote sums up the plot of the movie: "We do a drug deal to get me into rehab, and then a student becomes a teacher." With LA's toughest streets as a backdrop for this fun indie flick, watch as these three get themselves into and out of fixes while getting Leo his fix and ultimately fixing the situation.

Superman: The Animated Series

You're not old enough to remember Christopher Reeves before he was paralyzed, so just admit that "The Animated Series" is how you were introduced to the legendary Man of Steel. Finally, all 54 episodes are available to fulfill your childish whims. Pour yourself a bowl of Cocoa Pebbles and watch as Superman laser-visions Bane, Toy Man and Brainiac. Indulge in eight discs of nostalgia-inducing animated violence that only Saturday morning cartoons can offer.

Your Man needs a better computer

I hate computers, I really do. They are great for screwing around and wasting time, but when it comes down to doing any actual work, the only thing you can count on them for is to mess up. This week I am especially bitter about my computer situation after a certain hard drive mishap.

We all know that Northwest is known for computers. There are computers everywhere on this campus. I am actually surprised that we don't have computers that flush our toilets. When I got here there was one ridiculous Gateway desktop in every dorm room that was good for Tetris and that was about it. Yeah I've been here a while, lets just say that. The next year we got the Gateway laptops that were actually not too bad, but this last round of computers has just been

Since last year, I am on my fourth University laptop. I wouldn't say I abuse these things either. Aside from the occasional grown-up Web site visit, I actually use this thing for what it's intended. I take it to class, use it to write papers and DJ music at my parties.

My main beef with these dumb things is that whenever I have a paper of any length due in a short amount of time, one of two things happens: either the battery gives out with its pathetic 1 hour run time, or the screen goes blue and it literally craps itself. The computer nerds told me that this is a hard drive problem, but honestly, four times?

I'm not going to go too crazy here and say that we should get rid of computers.



Can you imagine how many people would actually have to find friends of the opposite sex if we did? After months of research, I have concluded that the problem with the computer is writing papers. My solution:

Teachers, please none of that "back in my day" crap. Would you really want to read anything from students that hasn't been ran through spelling or grammar checks? I'm a student not an archeologist, you can go dig up a dictionary. How would you even expect us to cite sources without Microsoft doing it for us, or even find them without Wikipedia?

I think I'm with about every student on campus here when I just ask for something that's not going to die when it's really

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

CD good if you're a fan or not

By Johnalyn Vasquez Missourian Reporter

Snow Patrol has a new album out. "Up To Now", a 30 track, two disc compilation of singles, greatest hits, album tracks and covers, is simply amazing regardless if you're a fan or not. Released Nov. 9, this album is a collection of their music over the last 15 years. The lead singer of the band, Gary Lightbody, was quoted in NME magazine saying "It's a portrait of us as a band, warts and all."

Of course they didn't just arrive overnight, but as much talent as Snow Patrol has, it is very surprising the little success they have had to match it. That may have something to do with the series of indie labels they involved themselves with, but for the amount of raw talent this band possesses, this album is pure evidence

There are three new songs on "Up To Now": "Just Say Yes" the band's newest single, released on Nov. 2, "Give Me Strength"

and "Dark Roman Wine". It also includes tracks from the Reindeer Section, a side project Lightbody formed in 2001, with various musicians from all over Scotland.

They even ventured into the world of hip-hop for their cover of Beyonce's "Crazy in Love". Despite never having dealt with rap breakdowns, it's safe to say the Irish/ Scottish group of five held their own. Furthermore, what would a compilation CD be if it didn't include the greatest hits?

The album contains two versions of "Chasing Cars" and "Run"; the studio versions and the live versions of the band's concert at Union Chapel in London.

Music isn't the only thing in this pack. "Up to Now" is also a three-disc digi-pack that includes an additional DVD, which offers two exclusive documentaries: "The Lighting Strike", an animated film, and previously unseen live

A timeline through their passion of music as a band, this album is a must have.



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FOOTBALL

'Hounds escape Hogan Prep, prepare for Lamar in semifinals

By Tony Botts
Comm. Sports Editor

When it comes to the saying, "a win is a win," the Spoofhounds found out just how true that phrase can be.

When the clock finally struck zero, the 'Hounds knew they had escaped with a 35-32 win after Hogan Prep failed to capitalize on extra points and a field goal.

"It was a hard fought victory," head coach Chris Holt said. "We got the quick start like we wanted and Hogan Prep was very athletic. However, we made enough plays that we needed to get the win."

The 12-1 'Hounds hosted a very athletic 11-2 Hogan

Prep football team during their quarterfinal game Saturday.

Derek DeMott and Gavin Talmadge contributed early touchdowns on the ground, while Tyler Peve stole a screen pass and raced 29 yards to the end zone to build up a 21-0 lead.

The Rams, however, did not go away quietly. Maurice Sneed and Dawon Cummings pulled their team back into the game by combining for 272 yards on the ground.

The comeback fell short however, as the 'Hounds sealed the victory with a knee after Sneed dropped a punt with less than ten seconds on the clock. The 'Hounds won 35-32 to set the match up against 7-6 Lamar.

With only one game standing between the 'Hounds and another trip back to state, DeMott said they are focusing on the fundamentals to prepare for this tough and unfamiliar opponent.

An area Holt feels the 'Hounds must improve in order to punch their ticket to St. Louis this weekend is up front in the trenches.

"We've got to maintain blocks better," Holt said. "We're doing a good job of getting into our guys, but we're just not maintaining them long enough."

This meeting with Lamar will be the first time these squads have faced each

other, which will prove to be a challenge for both teams.

"Lamar is a different type of opponent this week," Holt said. "They're going to slow the game down and try to control the clock by running the ball right at us. They don't throw the ball, hardly at all. It's a different type of situation for our kids."

The 'Hounds will make the trip to Lamar Friday evening and will stay over night in preparation for the Saturday afternoon game.

"It breaks the routine," Holt said. "That's the biggest thing we have to do, is make sure we're mentally ready to play on Saturday."

The semi-final match up is set for 1:30 p.m. Saturday, at Lamar High School.



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SENIOR RUNNING BACK Derek DeMott looks for an opening in the Hogan Prep defense during Maryville's 35-32 victory on Saturday at Maryville High School. DeMott rushed for 141 yards and two touchdowns on 18 carries.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

SENIOR EMILY KISKER drives the ball down the court during a fast break last season. Kisker and the Spoofhounds will begin this season Monday, Nov. 30 on the road at the Savannah Tournament.



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BOSTWICKS: Coach balances work and family

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"He does not want to talk. He'll give you the blandest explanation ever and we've learned to just not talk about it with him."

For the last four years, Leah has gotten to watch her father's, as well as the team's, quest for the national title from not just the fans point of view, but also from the family's point of view.

"When things are going good, things are great." Leah said. "But once things start turning, the crowd gets a little agitated and says mean stuff. It sucks to lose and its hard, but you really have to focus on the game."

This year, it was Scott's turn to watch his daughter help lead her team on a state championship run. Even though the 'Hounds came up short, Leah played a vital role in aiding her team to the highest finish in school history.

"It's hard to watch," Scott said. "You want them to win so bad, but it's been pretty awesome. They were a lot of fun to watch and they have come along way."

Scott tries to balance his time to the best of his ability, splitting time with the football family and his own. Part of that means making it to and missing many of his children's events.

On the volleyball court, fans can find Leah in one of three places: laid out on the floor for a crucial dig, hustling out bounds for a poorly passed ball or yelling words of encouragement to teammates from the back line.

From his seat up in the stands, Scott chooses to be seen, rather than be heard. This is a time where he knows it is his time to be the dad, rather than his counter role.

"At the games I don't want to be heard," Scott said. "I want to just be there, I don't want to be one of those parents where people are looking at you and saying 'What's wrong with that guy?""

At the end of the day, just like at the end of a long season, Scott is always able to see the bigger picture.

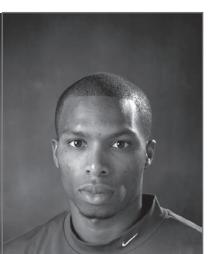
"The one cool thing about athletics," Scott said, "is that it teaches you how to lose. In the business world, you're not always going to win. You're going to face adversity."

It's things like this, as well as the success and internal drive to make the others around him better, that Leah has always, and will continue to admire about her dad.

NORTHWEST

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Edriss Floyd



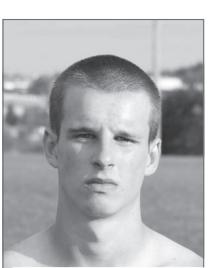
Senior guard Edriss Floyd led the Bearcats with 12 points, all in the first half, in Northwest's 83-60 loss to Missouri on Friday night. He followed it up by scoring a career-high 20 points and dishing out six assists in the 105-55 win over Manhattan Christian on Monday night at home.

Gentry Dietz



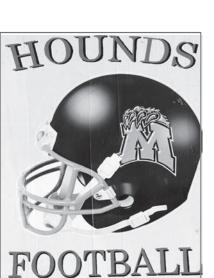
Junior post Gentry Dietz scored 25 points in her Northwest debut as the Bearcats defeated Upper Iowa 75-64 on Sunday; 15 of her points came in the second half. Dietz also led the 'Cats with eight rebounds and went 13 of 15 from the free throw line in the win.

Derek DeMott



Senior running back Derek DeMott scored two of Maryville's five touchdowns and rushed for 141 yards in the Spoofhounds 35-32 victory over Hogan Prep on Saturday. DeMott scored the opening touchdown on a 15-yard run and added also a 3-yard score.

Maryville Defense



Maryville's defense came up big when it had to during Maryville's 35-32 win over Hogan Prep on Saturday. Defensive end Tyler Peve returned an interception for a touchdown. Maryville's special teams also came up big, recovering an onside kick and a muffed punt.

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VOLLEYBALL

Bearcats end season with biggest win

By Brian Bosiljevac Sports Editor

The Bearcat volleyball team wrapped up its final week of play, taking two of three matches.

After dropping a five set road match to Missouri Western on Nov. 11, the 'Cats rebounded to win its final two matches of the season.

The win Friday night against No. 19 Truman was the first time the 'Cats upset a nationally ranked squad since Sept. 19, 2007.

"We felt a lot of excitement," interim head coach Allison Rogers said. "But you're going to feel that anytime you beat a team you haven't beat in 10 years, especially to do it in four sets. It was more like a sigh of relief to get it off our shoulders. It's always an overwhelming feeling when you beat a ranked team."

The momentum carried over to the following night when Northwest swept Mis-

By Brian Bosiljevac

where we could have put

the game away to start

the second half, but we

room the 'Cats held a 42-25

lead over the Peacocks, but

were outscored 39-33 in the

and maybe I don't know if

we relaxed a little or we get

a little cold," junior Gen-

try Dietz said. "We were

We went into halftime

Heading into the locker

didn't."

second half.

Sports Editor

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

souri Western on the road.

"I think we finally decided to come together," Rogers said. "We just played with nothing to lose and went out there and played with a confidence that we really needed."

The 'Cats came up short of its preseason goal of making the MIAA top five and earning a bid to the NCAA Regional Championships.

A 6-14 conference record and 15-21 overall record was good enough for a seventh place finish in conference play. The six teams ahead of the 'Cats are all heading to NCAA South Regional Tournament on Nov. 20.

"Coming out and performing the way we did in the final week was huge," Rogers said. "I mean we ended up finishing seventh and the six other teams are all playing in the NCAA Tournament. I think that says a lot about us and our potential."

Northwest also dealt

Bearcats start season in winning fashion

stopped taking good shots.

I personally think I need to

start taking the ball inside

with its fair share of adversity this season. The 'Cats encountered a coaching change in the middle of the season when head coach Anna Tool resigned after learning her contract would not be picked up for the 2010

Rogers was named interim head coach after Tool's resignation.

The search for a new head coach began following Tool's departure and the athletic department is happy with the progress they have made looking for the 'Cats' new leader.

"We have over forty candidates," Athletic Director Bob Boerigter said. "They have come from all backgrounds; from very very successful high school coaches to Division III, Division II and Division I programs, as well as community college coaches. We think we have an excellent pool and the evaluation process is continuing. "

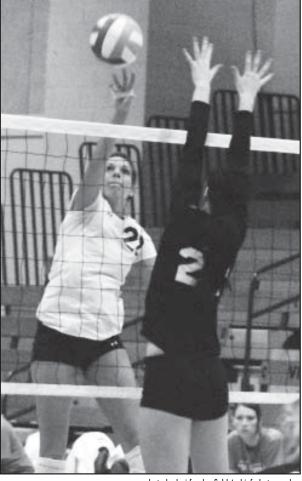


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JUNIOR MIDDLE HITTER Sara Falcone hits the ball past a Truman State opponent. The Bearcats beat the Bulldogs 3-1.

BASKETBALL: 'Cats get big win in head coach's debut

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losing 96-33.

"Being the team that we were last year, it's almost like we have a target on our back," Missouri guard Ziare Taylor said. "That team (Northwest) came out to play, they're a good team. They played some good basketball."

McCollum and the 'Cats kicked off the regular season by picking up a big win over Manhattan Christian on Monday night.

The Bearcats broke the century mark as five 'Cats scored in double figures in the 105-55 win.

Northwest grabbed an early 51-24 lead at halftime, by shooting over 50 percent.

"Our guards do a good job of penetrating and kicking out," McCollum said. "We're fairly unselfish for the most part. We were a little more selfish tonight than normal, but for the most part our guards do a good job of finding people."

The second half went

much the same way as Northwest jumped on the Crusaders and pushed the lead to 34 before five minutes had ran off the clock.

Manhattan Christian turned the ball over 28 times in the game, giving the 'Cats plenty of chances to run, cattering to their style.

"I still think we've got a ways to go on defense," McCollum said. "We talked OK out there. I didn't think we had the communication and flying around out there that we needed to be at the top of the MIAA."

Floyd scored a careerhigh 20 points in the win and freshman DeShaun Cooper added 18 points and nine assists off the bench.

Junior forward Elijah Allen finished with 17 points, senior guard Girod Adams added 13 and junior forward Maciej Ustarbowski chipped in 10 points.

"I think we play fast and guys get a lot of open shots," McCollum said. "We take a lot of shots because of the speed of the game."

FOOTBALL SATURDAYS



RS.-FR. WIDE RECEIVER Tyler Shaw races around a UCM defender after hauling in a long pass. The 'Cats will look to use Shaw's big play ability in their rematch with Abilene.

SUPER REGION FOUR

School	Overall
Central Washington	11-0
Northwest Missouri	10-1
Midwestern State	9-3
Texas A&M-Kingsville	9-3
Tarleton State	10-2
Abilene Christian	9-3

WEEKEND PREVIEW

Northwest lost to Abilene Christian 19-14 in the season opener.

The Bearcats earned its 14th NCAA playoff appearance and 12th in the last 14 years.

FOOTBALL: Big rematch looming

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season and their starter, RS.-Fr. Mitchell Gale, was listed as the third on the depth chart during the first meeting

With the uncertainty at the quarterback position, Abilene has become a smash-mouth football team with a strong running game.

"A lot of teams that have had trouble against them don't play with their hands and shoot gaps without any sense of assignments," senior defensive end Sean Paddock said. "We hope to execute our game plan. If everybody does their part we'll be OK."

Northwest is 15-3 at home in the playoffs under Tjeerdsma and 10-1 in playoff openers.

"It's a big-time advantage," Soy said. "We love playing in front of our fans. It's a 12th man out there and it's just nice to not have to travel."

Kick-off is set for noon Saturday at Bearcat Stadium.

"Both teams have progressed so much," Paddock said. "At this time of year, you hope to be playing your best football. We'll just put our best against their best and see who comes out on top."

The women's basketwhen we're not hitting the outside shots and reboundball team started its season off on a winning note, cruising more and doing my ing to victory over Upper part. In practice we just need to work on coming out Iowa. strong after our break. The 'Cats beat the Peacocks 75-64 on Sunday The game featured night. Dietz's first career game "I always enjoy a win, in a Bearcat jersey, after but there is a definitely a transferring from Southern

lot for us to work on," head Illinois, Dietz was sidelined coach Gene Steinmeyer all of last season with an said. "We came out a little injury. slow in the second half. Dietz didn't fail to We had about seven shots

 $impress\,as\,she\,put\,up\,a\,game$ high 25 points. She also led the 'Cats in rebounds with eight and recorded two blocked shots.

"It felt really good," Dietz said. "I was really excited. I don't really keep track of points. I care more about rebounds and stuff like that. It was exciting and just whatever I can do to help the team win. I'll do whatever Stein asks of me."

Community college

transfer Gabby Curtis followed behind Dietz with 13 points and sophomore Shelly Martin chipped in

Steinmeyer was also impressed by the play of his freshmen.

"Monai Douglas played extremely strong defense for someone her age," Steinmeyer said. "The twins, Alexis and Candace Boeh, also played well. They didn't get a ton of minutes, but looked impressive when they were on the court."

"I mean I'm four years older than the Boeh sisters, so I feel like they're all my little sisters," Dietz said. "When they do something wrong I partially feel like it's my fault because I should be helping them and setting a good example."

The 'Cats host NAIA schools Missouri Valley and William Jewell in the Winstead-Reeves Classic. The y play at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.



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MEN'S BASKETBALL



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FRESHMAN GUARD BRYSTON Williams looks for an open teammate in Friday's 83-60 loss to the University of Missouri. Williams is the first true freshman to be named a starter in more than 15 years.

'Cats play MU tough, get first win under McCollum

By Jason Lawrence Asst. Sports Editor

New head coach Ben McCollum made his coaching debut against the defending Big 12 tournament Missouri Tigers last Friday in Columbia, Mo.

Mizzou came away with a 83-60 win, but the Bearcats put up a fight early and kept the game close throughout.

"I felt like we played great," McCollum said. "I felt like

we competed. Everybody that played competed and that needs to carry on throughout the season."

Senior guard Edriss Floyd hit a three from the corner to kick off the scoring. The 'Cats didn't surrender the lead until seven minutes into the game.

Floyd scored 12 points in the first half to pace the 'Cats. Mizzou led 45-32 at the break.

"I think we were just ready to go," McCollum said. "I think it was a different atmosphere and I think that comes with maturity as a team. We have to come to compete every night, every time we step on the floor. Hopefully we learned that we

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Northwest shot 50 percent from the field in the first half, but couldn't hold their early lead due to turnover problems.

need to compete."

The turnovers continued in the second half as the 'Cats

scored only four points in the first nine minutes allowing Missouri to build a 31-point advantage.

Northwest fought back by shooting 43 percent from the field to make the score a respectable 83-60, much better than Truman State did against the Tigers just a week earlier,

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NW FOOTBALL

Bearcats face familiar foe Abilene Christian in playoffs

By Jason Lawrence Asst. Sports Editor

The Bearcats come off the bye week looking forward to a familiar opponent in Abilene

Abilene beat Midwestern State 24-21 in the first round of the playoffs to advance to play the 'Cats this weekend.

"It's become a game where it's fun," sophomore wide receiver Jake Soy said. "We've played these guys four times. I know all of their secondary by first and last name basis. We play these guys more than

we play our conference teams

I feel."

The 'Cats have faced Abilene Christian three previous times in the last two years. Northwest has lost the last two season openers to the Wildcats, but beat them in the playoffs last year on their way to the National Championship

Northwest fell to Abilene for its lone loss this year in the season opener in Abilene, Texas 19-14.

"We really had some mistakes in that one that we can't have this time," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We had a fumble returned for a touchdown; they got the ball after an interception on the 25-yardline and they got two points on

a safety when we threw it over the punter's head and out of the endzone. We can't have those things happen this time."

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"It's got to build confidence to play

Time

you got blown out, which we didn't," Tjeerdsma said. "It would be like us playing that overtime game against Washburn then having to go play them again the next week"

The bye week played to the Bearcats' advantage as they will have everyone back from injury with the exception of offensive lineman Brett Grozinger.

"Brett is a first-team allconference pick; that's really going to hurt us," Soy said. "We have a freshman stepping in. We'll see what he does. You never know."

The loss of Grozinger could be crucial as Abilene Christian boasts a strong defensive front. Their defense ranks 19th in the nation in scoring at 18.4 points per game.

The Wildcats have had quarterback problems this

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MEET THE BOSTWICKS

PASSION



Father, daughter share intense, competitive nature

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For the past 16 seasons, Bearcats' defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick has walked the sidelines and been at the helm of some of the top defenses in the nation.

The 'Cats defenders are well aware of his intense persona that is driven by his love for the game and the unfaltering love for his players.

"When we get out there [on the field] he's an intense guy," senior defensive end Sean Paddock said. "He tries to mix in humor, but for the most part he likes to be intense at practice and that's what he expects out of us too."

For 15 of his 16 years coaching at Northwest, Scott has served under the figurehead of 'Cats football; coach Mel Tjeerdsma.

Tjeerdsma empha-

sized Scott's intensity, one of the many things that has made the assis-

tant coach successful.

"He's very intense,"
Tjeerdsma said. "He
does a great job of having a feel for the game.
I think that's one of
his greatest attributes;
he can just feel what's
going on out there.
Obviously, we're well
prepared, but he is very
instinctive"

instinctive."
Scott is not afraid to get after a player for missing an assignment or for giving a less than satisfactory effort. He asks very little of his players, but what he does ask is that each of them give it their all and put something in, if they wish to get something out.

"Obviously, they have a tremendous amount of respect for his preparation and desire to put them in the best position to be successful," Tjeerdsma said. "They know if

he's getting after them it's because he wants to give them the best chance to win. As a player, that's what you want. You want a coach that's going to do everything he can to help you win a game, and there's no doubt that's what he is doing."

However, when
Scott exits the locker
room he becomes someone else; dad.

Leah, a senior at
Maryville High School,
sees the best of both
worlds. She gets to
see the laid back man
who spends time with
friends and enjoys
highly competitive family games of ping-pong,
as well as the stern
coach on the field.

"He's not as mean as he looks out at the field," Leah said. "He may not be nice to his players, but he really is a nice guy"

a nice guy."

This fall, the Bostwick household was no stranger to success;

Scott and the 'Cats claimed another MIAA crown and Leah and the Spoofhounds took home fourth place at the state volleyball tournament.

While both have experienced their share of wins this season, they have also suffered the unpleasant side of sports: losing. Something neither takes lightly, creating a mindset that shines light on both their passion for success and competitive natures.

"I don't like to lose," Leah said. "I mean I really don't like to lose. I think it's probably because of his football games. I remember crying if they lost."

Leah and Scott both agree that the last thing they want to do after a loss is to talk about a

"We don't want to talk about football when they lose," Leah said.

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